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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**Response under Rule 111****October 2, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement Action dated September 1, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests that the following Election be entered and that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

**Election**

Applicant elects, without traverse, the invention defined in Group I, namely, claims 1-4 and 6-12.

**In the Claims**

Please cancel claim 5 and add claims 13-15 as follows: